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"There are three essentials to the making of a good librarian - a sense of orderliness, a delight in good books, and a love for people. Administrative skills, bibliographic knowledge, positive public relations, and other operational efficiencies will come in due course if the three essentials are present in balanced proportions and growing power.

"The most important of these three is love for people. Love in this sense is not necessarily personal liking or emotional attachment. It is the higher sense of love indicated by the Greek verb agapao which means good will to the extent of helping and serving others even though they might not be personally attractive.

"Serving human need is the goal of all expenditures of money, time and energy. All library work is useless wheel-spinning if helping humanity with joy to the servitors is wanting. The love that sent Jesus up and down Judea's hills and Galilee's vales is what puts the glory in the commonplace, turns drudgery into delight, and brings heaven down to earth - and to the circulation desk."

-- Dr. L. R. Elliott

Fort Worth
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NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Friends and Members of ATLA:

Greetings and Salutations! Before you read any further, STOP for just 30 seconds and MARK your calendar for JUNE 18-19-20, 1958 . . . . These are the dates for the ATLA Conference in Boston when Dr. Jannette Newhall, Librarian of the Boston University School of Theology will be our hostess. The American Association of Theological Schools is meeting concurrently on June 18 and 19.

The Proceedings of the Fort Worth Conference should now be in your hands. Surely you have not filed them too far away! A few items deserve special emphasis since they represent actions taken by the Association in plenary session. The Conference approved a new Committee on Program. Members have been appointed on a regional basis. The function of the Committee is to assist the Vice-President in developing a conference program, to gather information and suggestions for future programs, and to stimulate members of the Association to prepare papers on subjects of special interest to the ATLA. Now is the time to send to any member of the Committee, or its Chairman, Decherd Turner, Jr., your suggestions for 1958 or for a future conference.

The question of a revised schedule of dues related to the financial needs of the Association was referred to the Executive Committee. Acting on behalf of the Association, the Committee appointed John McTaggart to gather pertinent factual data. He has been diligent in his assignment. Since this is a matter of "valuable" concern for every individual and institutional member, it is urged that anyone who desires feel free to express his or her judgment in the matter of dues by writing directly to Mr. McTaggart.

There is another reason for keeping your Proceedings handy. A proposed new Constitution was presented and unanimously voted to be received as a first reading. This document, if finally approved, will become the official formulation of our purpose and modus operandi. It deserves careful study by all members of the Association.

It is a pleasure to report that the respective Boards for Microtext Reproduction and Periodical Indexing are working hard at the tasks which have been entrusted to them. Each Board will give account of its stewardship as significant points of progress can be reported.

As a matter of information, it was reported at Fort Worth that the AATS had appointed a committee on the revision of the statement of library standards. Since that time this committee has been earnestly considering its assignment. Its members include Dr. James Gustafson of Yale, President R. B. Montgomery of the College of the Bible, Dr. Connolly Gamble of Union Theological Seminary in Richmond who is the secretary, and your ATLA president as chairman. Any member of this Committee would welcome the comments of theological librarians who are concerned about library standards. We are grateful to those who have already expressed their opinions.

NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT - Continued

To date it has not seemed urgent that the Executive Committee hold a midwinter meeting. Every effort will be made to carry on as efficiently as possible by means of correspondence, although this leaves much to be desired. The final decision will involve a mail ballot of the members of the Committee. In view of the fact that the strength of our Association consists in great part in the solid work of committee chairmen and faithful committee members, I would like to express in advance my appreciation of the assignments that have been accepted.

Dr. Frank M. Vanderhoof will continue to serve as the Representative of ATLA on the ALA Committee on Reprinting and as Consultant in the field of Religion for this Committee. Mr. Ernest White has been appointed the ATLA Representative on the ALA Council.

It is a pleasure for your Executive Committee to announce the following appointments to the Standing Committees for 1957-1958:

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Wherever you may be on Thanksgiving Day, will you join with me in an expression of gratitude for the opportunities of service that stand before our Association in the task of theological education in our generation.

Cordially yours,

Calvin H. Schmitt

SEVEN NEW MEMBERS ADMITTED TO ATLA

We welcome the following new members into the ATLA:

Active

The Reverend George H. Bricker, Librarian, Theological Seminary of the Evangelical and Reformed Church, Lancaster, Pennsylvania

Mr. Iwan Korowytsky, Librarian, School of Theology, Temple University, Broad Street and Montgomery Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

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DR. PAUL T. STONESIFER DIES

Dr. Paul Tobias Stonesifer, Librarian of the Theological Seminary of the Evangelical and Reformed Church in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, died June 10, 1957, at the age of sixty-one. Educated at Massanutten Academy, Franklin and Marshall College, and at the Seminary which he served, Dr. Stonesifer was ordained in 1920. After serving several churches in Pennsylvania, he was chosen Librarian of the Seminary in Lancaster in 1948. He was President of the Pittsburgh Synod of the former Reformed Church in the United States and a trustee of Hood College and of Franklin and Marshall College--which gave him the degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1947. He is survived by his widow and a son, Dr. Richard J. Stonesifer, who is Associate Professor of English at Franklin and Marshall College.

GUIDE TO PHOTOGRAPHED HISTORICAL MATERIALS PLANNED

The Committee on Documentary Reproduction of the American Historical Association is projecting a Guide to Photographed Historical Materials and will welcome information from institutions which have made photocopies--including photostats, microfilms, or photographs--of such materials. In order to plan its proposed guide most effectively and to reduce to the lowest point any burden on cooperating institutions, the committee has prepared a form indicating the type of information desired. Copies of the forms are available from and should be returned to Dr. Richard W. Hale, Jr., Boston University, Copley Square Campus, 84 Exeter Street, Room 401, Boston 15, Massachusetts.

1958 ATLA CONFERENCE THEME ANNOUNCED

This is the first year that the Vice-President has had the assistance of the newly created Committee on Program. The members of this committee have already demonstrated, by a healthy exchange of views, the wisdom of ATLA in bringing it into being. We feel that out of a conversation of different approaches will come more substantial programs than would be possible should the burden fall entirely on a single officer.

The general theme for the ATLA program in Boston will be "The Theological Librarian as Antiquarian and Curator." This is a facet of our responsibilities which has been touched upon only briefly in the past years of our Association. Irrespective of our wishes, the involvements of the theological librarian in this area are multitudinous, for a large percentage of the extant materials which form the body of antiquarian interest is religious.

It is particularly felicitous that this should be the general theme of our meeting in Boston. This area is the very cradle and storehouse of American antiquarian interests. Resources and personnel cannot be matched anywhere else in the nation. From this wealth of talent, we are drawing the program.

Some might say--"This has no meaning for me--I'll never have a large rare book collection or large antiquarian responsibilities!" This may be so. Yet to know of methods and procedures in the collection and preservation of rare items is incumbent upon all. Each age and area has a way of creating its own antiquarian collections and we can learn much from those who have had greater experience. Furthermore, we are held accountable as theological librarians for a speaking acquaintance with the important monuments in the development of printed communication. Boston and its environs provide a fertile instructive area.

Perhaps we might phrase the interests of the Committee on Program in another way--"The Librarian as Bookman." The weight of our deliberations and papers at previous ATLA meetings has been heavily on the side of technical processes surrounding the day-by-day workings of our libraries. This essential exchange had to come first. Perhaps, now for a while, we can turn our eyes to the more personally enriching experience involved in the concept of "curatorship."

We would be grateful for suggestions from all ATLA members. From these suggestions and further work of the committee, we will have a more complete program outline to report in the February Newsletter.

Decherd Turner, Jr.
Vice-President

NEW THEOLOGICAL LIBRARIANS' TRAINING PROGRAM

A new program designed for persons preparing for service as theological librarians has been announced jointly by the University of Denver and the Iliff School of Theology in Denver, Colorado. The course includes a minimum of fifteen hours of work elected from a possible thirty-six hours offered by Iliff, as well as the comprehensive offerings of the School of Librarianship at the University of Denver.

DR. ELLIOTT RIDES AGAIN!

On July 31, 1957, Dr. L. R. Elliott retired as Director of Libraries at the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, after thirty-eight years of service. Under Dr. Elliott's guidance, Southwestern's Fleming Library grew into a collection of more than 135,000 volumes, housed in a building with a capacity of 250,000 books and 800 readers, and staffed by five professional and three associate librarians and by three full-time and thirty-six part-time assistants.

Dr. Elliott was a member of the committee which convened the first conference of the American Theological Library Association. He served as the organization's president for the first two years of its existence and has continued to serve as active elder statesman since that time in numerous positions of responsibility. He was one of the two ATLA representatives at the Founding Conference of the International Association of Theological Libraries held in Brussels in September 1955. Most recently, he was the gracious host to the Eleventh Annual ATLA Conference in Fort Worth last June.

Dr. Elliott was in retirement for five days. On August 6, he began his service as Acting Librarian of the new Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, the sixth graduate theological seminary to be established by the Southern Baptists, which will open its first-year classes in Kansas City, Missouri, in September 1958. His duties during the present academic year will be centered around the purchase and cataloging of a 10,000-volume theological collection to serve as a basis for the first-year work when the new seminary opens next year. The collection will be assembled and processed in Fort Worth in time to be moved to Kansas City for the opening of Midwestern's first term. Dr. Elliott's headquarters will remain in Fort Worth, since, he reports to the Editor of the Newsletter, he and Mrs. Elliott would not leave that city to move anywhere except to Heaven. Until then, his address is P. O. Box 6500, Fort Worth 15, Texas.

PERIODICAL INDEXING BOARD REPORTS

The Board of Directors of the Index to Religious Periodical Literature met at Union Theological Seminary in New York City on October 1-2 to lay the foundations for the continuation of the Index. The Editor, Dr. Lucy Markley, had already begun her work and had samples of entries ready for the Board's examination. Methods of reproduction were approved and the initial list of periodicals was decided upon. The indexing will begin with journals for the year 1957. It is anticipated that an annual volume will be produced with cumulations appearing at the end of three-year periods. More details will be available early next year.

Jannette E. Newhall
Chairman

BOARD OF MICROTEXT REPORTS

The ATLA Board of Microtext has met once since the annual meeting of ATLA. At this meeting fourteen periodical titles, which have been recommended by the members of the Association for consideration for microfilming, were selected for possible inclusion in the project. The Board is now in process of securing necessary permissions before proceeding to microfilm. The Board has also developed specifications to produce the quality microfilm desired. It intends, in the near future, to circulate among the membership a list of additional periodical titles for consideration for microfilming.

Raymond P. Morris
Chairman

COMMITTEE ON BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT REPORTS

Mr. Frederick L. Chenery, Chairman of the Committee on Building and Equipment, reports that because of the favorable reception of the scrapbooks on building and equipment at the Fort Worth Conference last June, his committee hopes to add more material to them this year. The committee would like to receive floor plans, photographs and sketches which would be helpful to those librarians engaged in remodeling or building. Mr. Chenery feels that there is a particular need in the scrapbooks for pictures that show details of design and construction. All materials should be addressed to Mr. Chenery at the Episcopal Theological Seminary of the Southwest, 606 Rathervue Place, Austin 5, Texas.

MIDWESTERN BAPTIST SEMINARY SEEKS BOOKS

Dr. L. R. Elliott, Acting Librarian of the Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary to be opened in Kansas City, Missouri, in September 1958, has been commissioned to procure during the current academic year a basic theological collection of 10,000 volumes to be used as the basis for the new seminary's instructional program on the first-year level. Dr. Elliott would like to hear from ATLA members who have duplicates available for sale or donation in the fields of Bible, church history, theology, preaching, and the pastoral ministry, or reference sets including patristic and Reformation leaders.

Dr. Elliott requests that the entries for books being offered include author, title, date, and edition. Books which are being offered for sale should have the price attached to each title. Books being offered as gifts should be clearly so specified on the lists. The lists will be checked in Fort Worth and returned promptly to the senders with an indication of titles desired and instructions for shipping. Midwestern Seminary will pay transportation on both purchases and gifts. Lists and correspondence should be directed to Dr. L. R. Elliott, P. O. Box 6500, Fort Worth 15, Texas.

FEDERAL CENSUS OF RELIGIOUS BODIES

(In response to a number of inquiries concerning the fate of the federal Census of Religious Bodies, the following article is presented. It is a summary - chiefly by means of excerpts - of an article entitled "The Rise and Fall of the Census of Religious Bodies" which appeared in the June 30, 1956, issue of Information Service, published by the Bureau of Research and Survey of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. --Editor)

The annual budget presented by President Eisenhower to Congress for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1956, contained no appropriation for a Census of Religious Bodies for 1956, a decennial census which the Secretary of Commerce is authorized to take by previous laws, beginning with the days of Theodore Roosevelt in 1906. Congress, at this writing, has taken no steps to make provision for a Census of Religious Bodies. It is understood that there is opinion in the executive branch to the effect that the revenues which the Bureau of the Census receives from Congress should be for projects more directly related to the economic life of the country than one which would gather statistics from the more than 300,000 local churches in accordance with methods begun in 1906. There is informed opinion in the churches that a government, certain of whose officials have frequently spoken about the importance of religion, is not taking the decennial Census of Religious Bodies as seriously as it takes compilations relating to minerals. There is also informed opinion in the churches that the churches are in large part responsible for the condition in which this particular census is now found.

Censuses of religious bodies were taken in 1906, 1916, 1926, with relatively satisfactory results. Not all churches reported, and the churches apparently responded more slowly than others with whom the Census Bureau dealt. But the results in 1926 were regarded with satisfaction by church officials, although some Census employees became weary in the process. The first trouble came with that for 1936, begun early in 1937, and eventually published in 1940. About 20 per cent of the local churches did not report. There was extensive political propaganda against the Census. A member of this Bureau's staff once examined numerous clippings containing newspaper reports of speeches by orators who alleged that the Census was evidence that the New Deal would soon do to the churches what Hitler had just done to them in Germany.

Another matter of first importance was the fact that the Bureau of the Census printed on the schedule circulated to churches the penalty prescribed by law--with respect to all censuses--for non-compliance. This was, at the time, uniform procedure in the Bureau of the Census. But it aroused thoughts of civil disobedience in the minds of certain pastors who were sensitive to church-state issues. Plainly, the ministers in certain denominations were in a less cooperative mood in 1936 than in 1926. It seems that the reporting lagged particularly in rural areas and in the South and West. Among the denominations for which relatively low proportion of reports came from local churches were the Southern Baptist Convention, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Episcopal Church. Among the bodies for which the reporting was apparently relatively complete were Negro bodies, the Lutheran churches, and the Roman Catholic Church.

FEDERAL CENSUS OF RELIGIOUS BODIES - Continued

When it was time for the Census of 1946, the 79th Congress made provision for a beginning of the Census, but the 80th Congress was in an economy mood with respect to such as this Census, and declined to vote funds for continuing the project after the first year. There was again evidence that the mood of non-cooperation in local churches had lived on from 1936, but this evidence was not as dramatic or as well-publicized as in the earlier period. The penalty clause was not printed on the schedule for 1946, and thus there was not the same opportunity as earlier for non-cooperating clergymen to invite the federal government to throw them into jail. Church officials generally took the discontinuance of the 1946 Census with quiet resignation. The only warm friends the Census seemed to have were the official statisticians of a number of the religious bodies, and they were not a large company. The Association of Statisticians of American Religious Bodies continued to study the matter, and each consideration led that body to reiterate its support of a federal census as a valuable supplement to the statistics that church bodies gather for their own purposes.

Data recently assembled from sources in the Demographic and Social Statistics Branch, Statistical Office, of the United Nations, indicate that 28 out of 48 nations asked a question on religion as part of their population census taken in the years 1945-1953. This would seem to indicate that gathering of data on the faiths of people is widely regarded throughout the world as one of the appropriate functions of government. Among the nations following this practice are: Australia, Brazil, Canada, Ceylon, Chile, Denmark, Greece, Mexico, and New Zealand.

In the United States, it is understood that the gathering of data with the means used in the Censuses of Religious Bodies has been, with very few exceptions, favored by the national officials of religious bodies in the nation.

(An article entitled "What Is Your Religion?" in the May 11, 1957, issue of the same periodical supplies the following information relative to the 1960 census of population. --Editor)

The question "What Is Your Religion?" is being asked, in a few localities only, as part of a process, begun by the Bureau of the Census, of pre-testing questions that may be used in the decennial census of population of 1960. Persons who answer "Protestant" are being asked to give the name of their religious body. If used in 1960, the question will probably be asked of a sample, perhaps 20 per cent, of the households enumerated. Many times in past years, inclusion of a question on religion in the population census has been recommended to the Bureau of the Census, but it has never been adopted.

(At the publication of this issue of the Newsletter, no official action had been taken by the government regarding the inclusion of the question concerning religious affiliation in the 1960 census. --Editor)

UNION SEMINARY INAUGURATES "TOWER ROOM SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM"

The Library of Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia, is the center of study for fifty-two "Tower Room Scholars," pastors participating in a continuing education project launched in September 1957. Coming to the campus for two weeks of residence in groups of four, the pastors engage in individual research projects in private study facilities provided in the "Tower Rooms" of the Library. The group meets daily for a conference with a member of the Seminary faculty to discuss recent developments in the various fields of theology, particularly as these changes affect the pastor. From these group conferences have come renewed study of the significant books in the primary disciplines of the theological curriculum.

Each group of pastors begins residence on a Monday night and continues on campus until the Friday night twelve days later. They have been released from their pulpit responsibilities for the one Sunday when they are at the Seminary. During the academic year 1957-1958 thirteen groups of four pastors each are expected to participate in the Tower Room Scholarship Program.

This program is the newest feature of the Seminary's Continuing Education Program, which seeks to enable pastors to use effectively the Seminary's resources in continued systematic study. More than twenty-five guided study courses, with syllabi and the recommended books sent on a schedule, are now available to pastors for home use. Some 600 ministers have participated in this guided study plan since its beginning in 1950. Dr. Connolly C. Gamble, Jr., Assistant Librarian and Associate Professor of Bibliography at Union, serves as full-time Director of Continuing Education and coordinates the work of both the resident and the non-resident pastors.

NEW BOOKS BY ATLA MEMBERS

Andrews, Dean Timothy (Librarian, Holy Cross Orthodox Theological School, Brookline, Massachusetts). The Eastern Orthodox Church: A Bibliography. Second edition. Brookline, Massachusetts, Greek Archdiocese of North and South America, Holy Cross Orthodox Theological School, 1957. 79 pages.

Price, Frank Wilson (Director, Missionary Research Library, New York, New York). Marx Meets Christ. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Westminster Press, October 28, 1957. 176 pages. $3.50. Library of Congress No. 57-8940.

Wernecke, Herbert H. (Librarian, Eden Theological Seminary, Webster Groves, Missouri). Christmas Songs and Their Stories. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Westminster Press, October 14, 1957. 128 pages. $2.50. Library of Congress No. 57-11182.

LUTHERANS ESTABLISH FOUNDATION FOR REFORMATION RESEARCH

The recent revival of interest in America in the life and works of Martin Luther has given birth to a monumental and pioneering project in the area of Reformation studies. Backed by initial funds of $100,000 including a $75,000 five-year grant from the Aid Association for Lutherans, an Appleton, Wisconsin, insurance firm, the board of directors of the recently incorporated Foundation for Reformation Research held its first meeting October 4, at its headquarters on the campus of Concordia Seminary (Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod), St. Louis, Missouri.

Headed by a board of leading scholars, including Drs. Roland H. Bainton of Yale, Jaroslav J. Pelikan of the University of Chicago's Federated Theological Faculty, Ernest G. Schwiebert, command historian for the Air Research and Development Command, Baltimore, Md., Theodore G. Tappert of Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Pa., Harold J. Grimm of Indiana University, and Carl S. Meyer of Concordia, the foundation will concern itself with the collecting and collating of originals and microfilm and microcard reproductions of all important documents, manuscripts, and other sources, primary and secondary, connected with the continental, English, and Scandinavian phases of the Reformation, as well as the Counter-Reformation and other related areas of history. On the agenda was discussion of the selection of a director, who will cull American and European libraries and research centers for relevant material.

Commenting on the foundation, Dr. Pelikan, co-editor of the 55-volume American Edition of Luther's Works, currently in the process of publication, points out that Reformation research in America has been hampered for want of a central clearing house and catalog of sources available in this country. "No longer," Dr. Pelikan continues, "can Americans rely upon German and Scandinavian scholarship in Reformation study. Although German and Scandinavian scholars will undoubtedly continue to do outstanding work on the Reformation, it devolves upon American scholars, in their unique situation, to find their own resources for the study of the Reformation and its possible significance for the contemporary life of the church."

"Anyone who calls himself a Protestant is obliged," Dr. Pelikan states, "to take seriously what the Reformation was and did, and then to see what this might mean for his life now. If the churches of America are to be faithful to that heritage, they must have available to them reliable, complete, and significant information about the Reformers and their work. Thus the establishment of this foundation can be of primary significance for scholar, theologian, and the general church public."

The materials collected by the foundation will be available to all interested students and scholars and will eventually be housed in a library and research center to be built on the campus of Concordia Seminary.

Additional grants to the foundation include $15,000 from Mr. Samuel Hersch of Family Films, Inc., Hollywood, Calif., an initial $1000 gift from the Lutheran Laymen's League, and $2000, given anonymously in memory of Dr. Ludwig Fuerbringer.

NEWS OF ATLA MEMBERS

Mr. Harvey Arnold was appointed Librarian of the Chicago Theological Seminary on July 1, 1957, succeeding Mr. Hartley C. Ray.

Miss Marina Axeen, Librarian of Bethel College and Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota, resigned her position last summer to join the administrative staff of the Minnesota State Teachers College Library in St. Cloud, Minnesota.

Mr. George H. Bricker was installed on October 1, 1957, as Associate Professor and Librarian on the Jacob Y. Dietz Foundation at the Theological Seminary of the Evangelical and Reformed Church in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. Mr. Bricker received the A. B. degree from Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster in 1933, the B. D. degree from the institution of which he is now Librarian in 1936, and the M. Ed. degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 1943. He has also done graduate work at the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, and has completed the residence work for an S. T. D. degree at the Temple University School of Theology in Philadelphia. Mr. Bricker is currently attending the Graduate School of Library Science, Drexel Institute of Technology, Philadelphia, where he hopes to secure the M. S. in L. S. degree in about three years.

Mr. Bricker has served pastorates in Johnstown and Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, and came to his new position from the pastorate of St. Peter's United Church of Christ in Lancaster.

Mr. Thomas Edward Camp became Librarian of The School of Theology at The University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee, on July 15, 1957. Mr. Camp was formerly Circulation Librarian at the Perkins School of Theology, Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas.

Miss Katherine S. Diehl, of Douglas, Georgia, has been appointed Head of the Department of Library Services on the teaching faculty of the College of Education at the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, effective January 1, 1958.

Dr. Kenneth S. Gapp, Librarian of Princeton Theological Seminary, was honored at a party given by members of the library staff in October. In appreciation of his twenty years of service as Librarian and in celebration of the erection and dedication of the new Speer Library, the staff presented to Dr. Gapp a clock and matching barometer for his desk.

Miss Mabel F. Gardiner retired in September as Associate Librarian of Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Illinois, after more than thirty years of service. For at least half of this time she served as Acting Librarian while the appointment of Librarian was vacant. Miss Gardiner will continue to live in Evanston at 1134 Church Street.

NEWS OF ATLA MEMBERS - Continued

Dr. Burton L. Goddard, Dean of the Gordon Divinity School, Beverley Farms, Massachusetts, received the M. S. degree in Library Science at Simmons College, Boston, Massachusetts, in October.

Mr. John E. Godfrey, Jr. was appointed Library Administrator of the Harvey Memorial Library, Moravian College and Moravian Theological Seminary, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, on September 1, 1957. Mr. Godfrey received his A. B. degree from Moravian College in 1948 and has done graduate study at Texas Technological College, Lubbock, Texas, and Leheigh University in Bethlehem. He is currently taking work in the Graduate School of Library Service at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey. Mr. Godfrey has also done public school teaching in Frenchtown, New Jersey, and in Bethlehem.

Miss Mary S. Snively continues to serve as Librarian of the Moravian College.

Mr. Jerome Gurewich has been appointed Associate Librarian of The Divinity School of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Philadelphia. Mr. Gurewich, at present incapacitated with a broken leg, expects to assume his new duties in December.

Mr. David Guston has been appointed Acting Librarian and Seminary Librarian of Bethel College and Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota, succeeding Miss Marina Axeen.

Dr. Eric Haden, Librarian of the Central Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Kansas, for many years, has gone back into full-time teaching in the Seminary's Department of Religious Education, from which he had originally been drafted for the library position.

Miss Jean Hager has left her position in the College Department of the Abingdon Press to become an editorial assistant in the same organization. Her duties will now involve work with manuscripts rather than with professors and librarians. Miss Hager is an Associate Member of the ATLA and has served on the Newsletter Committee.

Miss Doralyn J. Hickey was appointed Assistant Research Specialist on the staff of the Rutgers University Graduate School of Library Service, New Brunswick, New Jersey, on July 1, 1957. Having received her M.L.S. degree from Rutgers in June, Miss Hickey has remained at the University to work under the direction of Dr. Ralph R. Shaw on a research project sponsored by the Council on Library Resources, Inc. The project, for which a two-year grant has been made, is designed to use qualified research workers and library experts, throughout this country and abroad, in producing a summary and evaluation of existing literature pertaining to all functions of a research library. Although the scope of the

project is broad, particular emphasis will be placed upon the discovery of areas which warrant further intensive research and creative effort and upon the investigation of machine applications to library work.

Miss Hickey was Assistant Librarian of the Duke Divinity School, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, from 1954 until 1956.

Dr. Charles Price Johnson, Reference Librarian at the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, for the past nine years, became Director of Libraries at that institution on August 1, 1957. He succeeds Dr. L. R. Elliott.

A native of LaGrange, Missouri, Dr. Johnson was educated at Ottawa University, Ottawa, Kansas, from which he received the Bachelor of Arts degree, and at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, from which he holds the Master of Theology, Master of Religious Education, and Doctor of Theology degrees. He received the B.S. in L.S. degree on August 22, 1957. He has also studied at Friends University, Wichita, Kansas, and North Texas State College, Denton, Texas. Dr. Johnson has served pastorates in both Kansas and Texas.

Mr. Frederick E. Kidder has resigned as Assistant Director of the School of Inter-American Studies at the University of Florida in Gainesville, to accept the position of Registrar and Lecturer in Library Science at the church-related Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico, San German, Puerto Rico.

Mr. Iwan Korowytsky was appointed Librarian of the Temple University School of Theology in Philadelphia on September 16. A graduate of the Warsaw University School of Divinity and of the Western Reserve University School of Library Science, Cleveland, Ohio, in June 1957, Mr. Korowytsky has previously served on the library staffs of the University of Warsaw, the New York Academy of Medicine, and the Cuyahoga County Public Library in Cleveland.

Mrs. Han Hsiang Chiu Liu joined the staff of the Columbia Theological Seminary Library, Decatur, Georgia, as Assistant Librarian-Cataloger on September 1, 1957. Mrs. Liu, a native of Shanghai, holds both the Bachelor of Divinity and the Master of Librarianship degrees from Emory University in Georgia. She was formerly Librarian of Shorter College in Rome, Georgia.

Dr. Lucy Markley, cataloger at Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Illinois, since 1954, has resigned her position to assume the editorship of the Index to Religious Periodical Literature, which will have its headquarters at the Seabury-Western Theological Seminary in Evanston.

Miss Alice E. Murphy, Assistant Librarian at Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Illinois, since 1955, resigned at the end of September to become head of the Audio-Visual Department of the Evanston Public Library.

NEWS OF ATLA MEMBERS - Continued

Miss Margaret Newhall joined the staff of The School of Theology Library at The University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee, on July 15, 1957. Miss Newhall had previously served as Librarian of Ward-Belmont College, Nashville, Tennessee, and more recently was Periodicals Librarian at the George Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville.

Dr. Frank W. Price, Director of the Missionary Research Library in New York City, will attend the Conference on American Library Resources on Southern Asia to be held at the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C., November 19 to 22. He is also to serve as consultant at the Assembly of the International Missionary Council in Chana from December 28 to January 8.

Mr. Hartley C. Ray, who served as Librarian of the Chicago Theological Seminary from 1955 to 1957, has resigned his position and returned to the parish ministry to become minister of the First Unitarian Parish in Orange, New Jersey.

Miss Sara Ruth Riley resigned her position on the staff of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, on July 15, and assumed her new duties as Circulation Librarian at the Perkins School of Theology Library, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, on September 1. Miss Riley had been a member of the staff of the Southern Baptist Seminary for six years, serving as Staff Supervisor for all of that period, as Head of the Cataloging Department from 1951 to 1954, and as Head of the Ordering Department from 1954 to 1957. She received her A. B. and B. S. in L. S. degrees from the George Peabody College for Teachers, Nashville, Tennessee.

Dr. Martin Rist, Librarian of the Iliff School of Theology in Denver, addressed the Kansas Library Association at its annual meeting this fall in Kansas City on two topics, "Recent Discoveries in New Testament Studies" and "Construction and Equipment of Small Libraries."

Dr. R. Vernon Ritter has recently accepted an appointment as Librarian of the Central Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Kansas. He came to this position from Westmont College in Santa Barbara, California, where he had been Librarian for the last three years. For the previous eight years he had been Professor of Old Testament and Librarian at the California Baptist Theological Seminary, Covina, California. He succeeds Dr. Eric Haden.

Mr. Werner Rode, formerly Assistant Librarian of the Missionary Research Library in New York City, has been appointed Associate Librarian with larger responsibilities.

NEWS OF ATLA MEMBERS - Continued

Miss Ruth C. Roth joined the staff of the Garrett Biblical Institute Library, Evanston, Illinois, on July 1, 1957. Miss Roth is a graduate of Goshen College, Goshen, Indiana, and of the Indiana University School of Librarianship in Bloomington. She was formerly Librarian of the Bethany Christian High School in Goshen, an institution of the Mennonite Church.

Dr. Nobel V. Sack was formally installed as Librarian and Professor of Church History and Philosophy of the Western Evangelical Seminary, Portland, Oregon, at a special chapel service on May 15, 1957. Dr. Sack joined the Seminary faculty in 1952 as a part-time teacher and became a full-time faculty member in 1956. He received his Th.D. degree on May 20, 1957, from the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary in Chicago. Dr. Sack's dissertation was entitled The Eschatology of Some Neo-Supernaturalists and dealt with the thought of Karl Barth, Emil Brunner, and Reinhold Niebuhr.

Miss Kent Stockell has resigned her position as Librarian of The School of Theology at The University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee, and is now a member of the staff of the University of Alabama Library in Tuscaloosa.

Mr. Ray R. Suput assumed the position of Associate Librarian in charge of processing at Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Illinois, on August 15, 1957. Mr. Suput has degrees from Ohio State University, Western Reserve University, and the University of Chicago, and is a doctoral candidate at Western Reserve. He comes to his new position from the Cataloging Department of the University of Chicago Library, and prior to that time was Reserve Librarian at Northwestern University in Evanston.

Miss Alice Frances Wickizer, formerly Cataloger at the Drake University Divinity School Library, Des Moines, Iowa, has taken a position as Public Documents Librarian at the Indiana State Library in Indianapolis.

REPRINTS AVAILABLE OF ARTICLE ON AIR CONDITIONING

Messrs. Robert F. Beach, Librarian, and Walter H. Martin, Engineer, Union Theological Seminary in New York City, are the authors of an article entitled "Union Theological Seminary Air Conditions Its Library," which appeared in the July 1957 issue of College and Research Libraries (Vol. 18, No. 4, pp. 297-301). Mr. Beach has some reprints of the article available and will be glad to supply copies on request as long as the supply lasts. He should be addressed at the Union Theological Seminary, 3041 Broadway, New York 27, New York.

CHURCH DISTRIBUTION STUDY PUBLISHED

The Church Distribution Study, the publication of which was begun in 1956, is scheduled for completion on November 14, 1957. The Study is an enumeration and analysis of church distribution by counties, states, and regions prepared by the Bureau of Research and Survey of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. It consists of approximately eighty Bulletins published in five series. The Bulletins have eight pages and are uniformly priced at forty cents each, postage prepaid. The entire Study may be subscribed to at a cost of $30.00; but all Bulletins are available separately. Inquiries and orders should be addressed to The Office of Publication and Distribution, National Council of Churches, 120 East 23rd Street, New York 10, New York. An outline of the contents of the Study follows:

Series A: MAJOR FAITHS BY REGIONS, DIVISIONS, AND STATES

Bulletin 1. Introduction (scope, plan of presentation, utility, etc.)
2. General Summary Tables
3. Major Faith Relations to 1950 Population
4. General Major Faith Analysis

Series B: DENOMINATIONAL STATISTICS BY REGIONS, DIVISIONS, AND STATES

Bulletins 1 to 4, which cover a number of churches and members reported by religious groups with a national total of 1000 churches or more by region, division and state, include:

1. All faiths, Seventh-day Adventists, Assemblies of God, American Baptist Convention, Church of the Brethren, and charts showing "Leading Religious Groups According to Number of Churches and Church Members Reported in United States" and "Leading Protestant Denominations According to Reported Number of Protestant Churches and Church Members in United States."
2. All faiths, Church of God (Anderson, Ind.), Church of God (Cleveland, Tenn.), Church of God in Christ, Church of the Nazarene, Congregational Christian Church, Disciples of Christ--International Convention, Evangelical and Reformed Church and Evangelical United Brethren Church.
3. All faiths, Jewish bodies, Latter-day Saints, American Lutheran Church, Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Church, Evangelical Lutheran Church, The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and United Lutheran Church in America.
4. All faiths, Free Methodist Church of North America, The Methodist Church, Presbyterian Church in the United States, Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, Protestant Episcopal Church and Roman Catholic Church.

Bulletins 5 to 8, which cover a number of churches and members reported by religious groups and by state, include:

5. United States and Alabama--Illinois
6. United States and Indiana--Mississippi
7. United States and Missouri--Oklahoma
8. United States and Oregon--Wyoming

(Appropriate graphs showing leading Protestant denominations in state)

CHURCH DISTRIBUTION STUDY PUBLISHED - Continued

Series C: DENOMINATIONAL STATISTICS BY STATES AND COUNTIES

55 Bulletins, approximately

Series D: DENOMINATIONAL STATISTICS BY METROPOLITAN AREAS

6 Bulletins, approximately

Series E: ANALYSIS OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC CHARACTERISTICS
(rural, urban, income level, education, age, population change, etc. in relation to church data)

7 Bulletins, approximately.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS CATALOG TO BE REPRINTED

The Pageant Book Company, 59 Fourth Avenue, New York 3, New York, according to an announcement in the July 8 Publishers' Weekly, plans to reproduce the 167-volume Catalog of Books Represented by Library of Congress Printed Cards, which covers cards issued from August 1898 through July 1942. This Catalog was published by Edwards Brothers, Inc. (now J. W. Edwards, Inc.) of Ann Arbor, Michigan, and complete sets of it have been unobtainable for several years, although the Edwards firm still has copies of some volumes available. Orders for the reprint, which would be ready in the "late spring of 1958," are being taken by the Pageant Book Company on a subscription basis. If 300 orders are received by the end of 1957, the set will cost $1,000; if 200 are received, $1,250; if 100 are received, $1,500. If there is an "insufficient" response, the company reserves the right to cancel all orders received.

ATLA members interested in purchasing the reprint of the Catalog may write the Pageant Book Company for its brochure or may place their orders with the company immediately, indicating by the use of one of the following three statements the price which they would be able to pay:

1. I will accept the set at $1500.
2. I will accept the set for not more than $1250.
3. I will accept the set for not more than $1000.

The Editor of the Newsletter wrote to Mr. Henry Chafetz of the Pageant Book Company and asked whether or not partial sets will be available for those libraries which already have a portion of the Catalog. Mr. Chafetz replied to the Newsletter in a letter dated October 31, 1957: "A number of libraries have already written us concerning odd volumes of Library of Congress Catalog of Printed Cards, but we cannot, in all fairness say at this present date whether we will sell odd volumes separately. It is a touchy problem. We hope, however, to be able to come to some positive stand on the odd volume situation once the entire picture of reprinting the Library of Congress Catalog set is a clear one."

PERIODICALS - BIRTHS AND DEATHS

The Episcopal Churchnews ceased publication with the August 1957 issue (Vol. 122, No. 14).

In January 1958, the American Baptist Historical Society will publish the first issue of a new magazine, Foundations: a Baptist Journal of History and Theology. This journal, which has been a year in the planning, will be a continuation of The Chronicle but it will now include the whole field of theology as well as history. The final issue of The Chronicle was Vol. 20, No. 4, which appeared in October 1957.

Foundations seeks to create a new forum where Baptists may explain their heritage, examine their faith and speak to their sister denominations. Each issue of Foundations will consist principally of historical and theological articles designed to stimulate thought and promote the free and honest discussion that has characterized the Baptist religious heritage. The Board of Editors includes Professor Robert T. Handy of Union Theological Seminary, New York City; Winthrop S. Hudson of Colgate Rochester Divinity School; Lyle O. Bristol of Crozer Theological Seminary; Dr. Norman K. Gottwald, Andover Newton Theological School; Culbert G. Rutenber and Norman R. Maring of Eastern Baptist Seminary; and Charles R. Andrews, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Chicago. The editor is George D. Younger of The Mariner's Temple, New York City.

The subscription price is $3.00 a year. Each issue will contain 96 pages. Subscriptions should be addressed to Foundations, The American Baptist Historical Society, c/o The Reverend Robert Earl Slaughter, 1100 South Goodman Street, Rochester 20, New York.

The first issue of Frontier, a new Christian quarterly, will appear in January 1958. It will take the place of both World Dominion and Christian News-Letter, the final issues of which have already appeared. World Dominion ceased publication with Vol. 35, No. 4 in October 1957. The final issue of Christian News-Letter also appeared in October 1957 as Vol. 5, No. 4.

The editor of Christian News-Letter, John Lawrence, will become editor of Frontier; and Sir Kenneth Grubb, the editor of World Dominion, will become Chairman of the Board of Management for the new periodical.

Frontier is scheduled to appear on the fifteenth of January, April, July, and October. A brochure announcing its publication says that it "will enable its readers to follow the latest thinking and the latest action in everything that concerns the relation of the Church to the secular world, the growth and expansion of the younger (and older) Churches of Asia and Africa and Latin America, and the movement for the reunion of the Churches."

Subscription rates will be: 10 shillings ($2.00) per year post free; 5 shillings ($1.00) for missionaries, full-time students, and retired clergy. Subscriptions should be addressed: To the Dispatch Department, Frontier, 59, Bryanston Street, Marble Arch, London, W. 1.

BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT NOTES

The Bethel College and Seminary Library, St. Paul, Minnesota, is in the process of taking over the entire ground level of the Library Building, two-thirds of which has been occupied previously by faculty offices. The area released will provide space for a periodical room, additional study areas, a microfilm reading room, a curriculum laboratory, a language listening room, and for housing the archives and historical collections. Mr. David Guston is the Acting Librarian.

When the new Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary opens its doors to its first class of students in the fall of 1958 in Kansas City, Missouri, it will be housed in quarters furnished by the Calvary Baptist Church at Baltimore and 39th Streets. Negotiations are practically complete, however, for the purchase of 100 acres of land for the permanent campus. It is hoped that its buildings will be completed by 1960. Among the first to be erected will be a library which will probably have a book capacity of not less than 100,000 volumes and reading space for 250 to 300 students.

The Robert E. Speer Library at Princeton Theological Seminary was formally dedicated on the afternoon of October 8, 1957. Short addresses were made by John Grier Buchanan, Chairman of the Library Committee of the Board of Trustees, Tristam Burges Johnson, Acting Mayor of the Borough in Princeton, and Robert Francis Goheen, President of Princeton University. The main address of the day was by Nathan Marsh Pusey, President of Harvard University. The small brochure distributed on the day of dedication is available by mail to those who write to Dr. Kenneth S. Gapp, Librarian, The Speer Library, Box 111, Princeton, New Jersey.

The School of Theology building at The University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee, has recently undergone extensive remodeling which included the addition of an entire floor to an extension of the building for the housing of the library. A new reading room with new furnishings, a new combination workroom-office, and five levels of stacks which offer room for thirty-five to forty years of expansion provide the seminary with really adequate library facilities for the first time in its history, according to Mr. Thomas Edward Camp, the new Librarian.

The George Hallauer Memorial Library of the Western Evangelical Seminary, Portland, Oregon, was dedicated on August 30, 1957, by Ira D. Warner, Bishop of the Evangelical United Brethren Church in the Pacific area. The new building measures 40 by 140 feet and provides space for shelving 30,000 volumes and seating 150 students, in addition to offices, a typing room, a photographic darkroom, a film viewing room, a storeroom, and a book store. Dr. Nobel V. Sack is the Librarian.